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In re Patent Application of:

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For: USE OF ANTAGONISTS OF THE CBI  
RECEPTOR FOR THE MANUFACTURE OF  
A COMPOSITION USEFUL FOR THE  
TREATMENT OF HEPATIC DISEASES

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Examiner: Not Yet Assigned

**FIRST PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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Dear Sir:

**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.